

San-Lee Park
572 Pumping Station Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
(919)776-6221

Nature Center
Hours of Operation:
Mon.—Sun.: 8—close

**Park Monthly
Hours of Operation**
January 8am—5pm
February 8am—5pm
March 8am—5pm
April 6:30am—7pm
May 6:30am—8pm
June 6:30am—8pm
July 6:30am—8pm
August 6:30am—8pm
September 6:30am—7pm
October 6:30am—6pm
November 8am—5pm
December 8am—5pm

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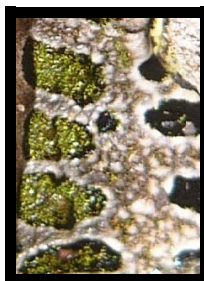
Art in Nature

This September we are taking a day to celebrate local artists and their work. We feel it is important to raise the awareness of artists in our community and surrounding areas. Art releases something inside us, it makes us think, it moves us. It is important to remember that you don't have to look very far to find art. Nature is an amazing artist that works with wildly varied colors and patterns. There is art in nature and it is easy to find, we need only to take the time.

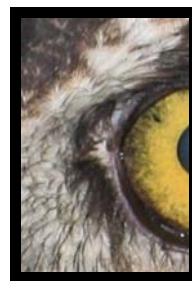
See if you can
identify where to find
the following artistic
patterns in nature.

Check your answers
on page 3.

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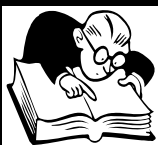
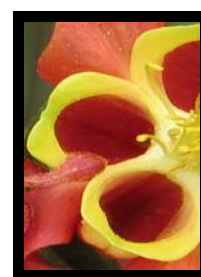
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ECO-DICTIONARY Environmental vocabulary everyone should know!



Often in the field of biology and the natural sciences there are topics of discussion that, though common and proper for those entrenched in field, are considered impolite or gross.

This Eco-Dictionary is dedicated to one such topic.

We will tread lightly and with couth.

Scat (skāt)

a general term typically referring to the excrement of animals.

▪Scat is often used as means to track or identify an animal.

Frass (frās)

the droppings or dung of insects

▪Look for frass from caterpillars to locate possible plant pests.

Spraints (sprānts)

the fecal matter of an otter.

▪Otters typically deposit spraints in the same area repeatedly.

Sprainting is a means of marking territory.

North Carolina Big Sweep is celebrating
20 years of working to keep North Carolina
clean! This year's Big Sweep event is
Saturday October 6, from 9 am to 1 pm.

If you are interested in participating
you can visit www.ncbig sweep.org.

If you are interested
in helping locally,
contact San-Lee Park at
919-776-6221 and speak
with Ranger Steve.
Individuals and groups
are welcome!



Calendar of Events

San-Lee Park offers a variety of programs for children, adults and families. Our goal is to help bridge the gap between people and nature. We would love for you or you and your family to attend our programs.

Pre-registration is required for all programs.

All programs, unless otherwise specified, are \$5/adult (13+) and \$2/child (12 and under)

A minimum of 5 people need to be registered by the deadline in order for the program to be held (unless otherwise noted).

September



ART IN THE PARK
September 22, 2007; 9am-3pm

Lee County and central North Carolina is home to some amazing artists. Come out and celebrate the arts in the area and uncover your artistic side. You can come and browse or try to create a masterpiece of your own at one of the activity tables. It will be fun for the whole family.



Free!
Family Event

November

Mammal Mystery

November 17, 2007; 10 am —12 pm

Learn how to decipher the clues that animals leave behind. Whether you find tracks, bones, or scat, you can piece together the story of the animal who left them. Even if you never see the actual critter, you will learn how to solve the mystery of what animals have been around your backyard.



Family Program
Registration Deadline: November 12, 2007

October

Fright Night

October 27, 2007; 7:30-9 pm

Get in the mood for Halloween by sitting around a campfire and swapping chilling stories*. Join San-Lee Staff as we share some of our favorite campfire stories, stay warm by the fire and roast a few marshmallows.



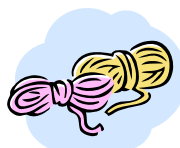
Family Program:
Registration Deadline: October 24, 2007
*Stories will be family appropriate.

December

CRAFTY CREATIONS

DECEMBER 8, 2007; 1-3 PM

Take a break from the hustle and bustle of the season and spend some time letting your creative side show. We'll provide the supplies and even clean up the mess! Make a unique item for you or to give as a gift.



Adult Program:
Registration Deadline: December 3, 2007

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR GROUP LEADERS!

If you would like to sign up a group of 6 or more for one of the above programs please contact the programming staff to make arrangements.

Programs are also available through the park for schools, meetings, clubs, scouts, etc. Programs can be done at the park or off site and are tailored to your groups needs. If you are interested in a program, contact Kristin or Jess at the park.



A three day mini-camp for 4 and 5 year olds where learning is through games, stories, hikes, and other activities.

Snack is provided.

\$25/child

Pre-registration is required



Arthropod Antics

September 17, 19, and 21, 2007; 1-4pm

Spiders, insects, crayfish, centipedes, and millipedes are all arthropods. Learn about what it takes to be an arthropod and why this vast array of animals is so vital to our world.

Everyday Animals

October 15, 17, and 19, 2007; 1-4pm

They may be common, but that doesn't mean that they don't lead interesting lives. We will spend the week focusing on animals that we see almost everyday, but often overlook.



Walk on the Wild Side

November 5, 7, and 9, 2007; 1-4pm



November is a great time of year to get outside and explore the wild side. Join us as we wander on the trails of San-Lee Park and learn about what Nature has to offer.

Being a Bear

December 10, 12 and 14, 2007; 1-4pm

We will "bearly" be able to contain ourselves as we learn about bears. This week children will be introduced to one of North America's largest and most interesting mammals. Whether we are discussing Alaskan Brown, Black, Grizzly or Polar we will uncover all the "bear" facts.



How did you do? Can you recognize the art around you?

1.



Pickerel Frog

2.



Great Horned Owl

3.



Ten-Lined June Bug

4.



Carolina Anole

5.



Columbine Flower

These are all commonly seen in and around Lee County.
Keep you eyes open to look for the art in Nature!



Please Evaluate our Programs!

If you or your child have attended any of our programs, such as summer camp or our canoe trip, we would like to know what you think about your experience. Please log on to www.leecountync.gov. On the left side bar, click on **departments**, then on **Parks and Recreation**, then on **Outdoor Education** and then lastly on **program evaluation**.

SLP Facilities

What does San-Lee Park have to offer?

Pavilion Multi-purpose Room Meadow

These facilities can be rented for meetings, reunions, picnics, etc.

To make reservations, please call 775-2107.

Nature Center
Fishing

Hiking Trails
Boating

Bike Trail
Camping

Boat Dock Hours of Operation

April-October

1-6pm, Saturday and Sunday

Rate: \$3/boat/half hour

Tent Campground

April-November

Rate: \$10/night

RV Campground

Open Year-round

Rate: \$15/night

*Units must be self-contained
after November.*

*All bathhouses will be winterized in
November and will reopen in April.*



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